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## **ELECTION**

This is meant to be a complete response to the Office Action mailed August 31, 2004. In the Office Action, the Examiner stated that upon reconsideration of the claim language presented in the previous amendment filed June 15, 2004, the Examiner considered election of species proper. The Examiner noted the subject application contained claims directed to patentably distinct Species A-V.

Applicant elects Species P, Figs. 20-22. As all of the pending claims recite a sleeve having a half hexagonal shape in the lower end of the body thereof,

and that the body of the sleeve is absent a gusset in the lower end thereof,

Applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims read upon Species P.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this Amendment, or the remarks contained herein, Applicant's agent would welcome the opportunity to discuss such matters with the Examiner.

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